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For: LIQUID MEDICATION ) :  
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Sir:

Enclosed to complete the record and for the Examiner's convenience are a copy each of Form PCT/IB/326, Notification Concerning Transmittal of Copy of International Preliminary Report on Patentability; Form PCT/IB/373, International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty); and Form PCT/ISA/237, Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority in the above-identified application and Form PCT/IB/338, Notification of Transmittal of Copies of Translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability. Two of the references discussed in the Written Opinion, JP 2003-290356 and 2004-290593, were cited in Applicants' November 3, 2006 Information Disclosure Statement. The remaining references cited in the Written Opinion are cited in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith.

Entry hereof is earnestly solicited.

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